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SUBJECT: IV GRANTS TO LABOR LEADERS

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1. I SAW LO VICE CHAIRMAN HOJDAHL SEPTEMBER 6 AND TOLD HIM OF THE AFL-CIO INTEREST IN HAVING ASPENGREN OR HOJDAHL ATTEND THE OCTOBER CONVENTION. HOJDAHL SPOKE SINCERELY OF HIS HOPE FOR RENEWED COOPERATION WITH AFL-CIO AND OF THE DESIRABILITY OF SITTING DOWN AND DISCUSSING MUTUAL INTERESTS, AND IT WAS CLEAR THAT HE WOULD FAVOR A NORWEGIAN PRESENCE AT THE CONVENTION. HE WAS UNPREPARED TO EXPRESS AN OPINION AS TO WHETHER THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE, HOWEVER; NEGOTIATIONS WILL BEGIN IN ABOUT A MONTH FOR THE BASIC AGREEMENT ON LABOR CONDITIONS WHICH IS RENEWED EVERY FOUR YEARS, AND HE AND ASPENGREN MAY BOTH HAVE TO REMAIN IN NORWAY. I DID NOT RAISE THE POSSIBILITY OF AN INTERNATIONAL VISITOR GRANT.

2. HOJDAHL WILL BE VISITING ASPENGREN IN THE HOSPITAL (HIS CONDITION IS NOT SERIOUS, HOJDAHL SAID), AND HE HOPES TO GIVE US A REACTION NEXT WEEK, AFTER ELECTIONS. BUCHANAN

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